

# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Rock Hill High School YORK 3 - ROCK HILL

Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,999

Principal: Arthur W. Ahl II

Superintendent: Mr. John Taylor, Interim

**Board Chair: Jim Vining** 

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	<b>GROWTH RATING</b>	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Good	Below Average	TBD	TBD	С	N/A
2013	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	D	N/A
2012	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	С	N/A

**ABSOLUTE RATING OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*** 

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
23	9	1	0	1

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

### HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS **High Schools with Our High School Students Like Ours** 2013 2014 2013 2014 Passed 2 subtests (%) 78.8% 77.7% 84.9% 80.3% 14.4% Passed 1 subtest (%) 13.8% 10.0% 13.5% Passed no subtests (%) 7.5% 7.9% 5.6% 6.8%

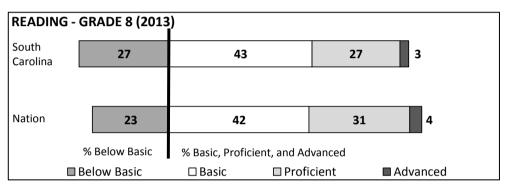
HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2014				
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours		
Passage Rate	93.7%	93.2%		

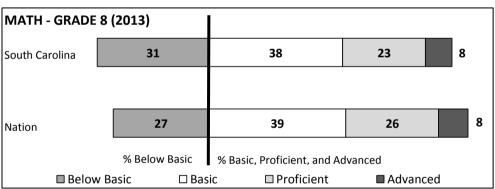
ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE				
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours		
Number of students	486	319		
Number of diplomas	386	255		
Rate (%)	79.4%	80.8%		

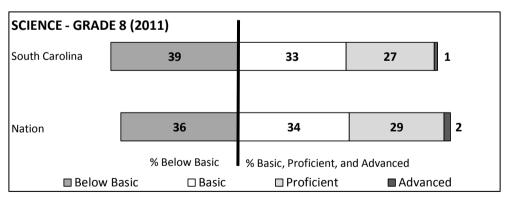
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014				
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours		
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	85.4%	85.2%		
English 1	71.3%	75.3%		
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	79.6%	82.3%		
US History and the Constitution	66.3%	70.1%		
All Tests	75.4%	78.4%		

# NAEP\*

\*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.







### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

### **High Schools** Median High Change from Last **Our School** with Students School Year Like Ours Students (n = 1,999)2.9% Down from 4.5% 1.8% 3.0% **Retention Rate** 95.0% Up from 93.5% 96.2% 96.2% **Attendance Rate** 23.2% Served by gifted and talented program 19.6% Up from 17.3% 17.7% With disabilities 14.5% No change 11.0% 11.5% 5.9% Down from 6.2% 7.1% Older than usual for grade 6.0% Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent 4.3% Down from 6.0% 1.4% 1.1% and/or criminal offenses 20.0% 15.4% Enrolled in AP/IB programs Down from 23.5% 21.3% 47.8% 48.8% 52.8% Successful on AP/IB exams Down from 57.5% Eligible for LIFE Scholarship 30.2% Down from 30.3% 39.3% 30.6% Career/technology students in co-curricular 3.5% Down from 6.4% 4.4% 5.3% organizations Enrollment in career/technology courses 1040 423 No change 538 87.4% Career/technology students attaining technical skills Down from 90.7% 84.9% 84.5% Annual dropout rate 2.9% Down from 4.1% 2.6% 2.1% Teachers (n = 111)69.4% Down from 71.6% 66.4% 64.3% Teachers with advanced degrees Continuing contract teachers 75.7% Down from 78.0% 84.0% 77.3% 85.8% 88.3% Teachers returning from previous year Down from 88.5% 85.5% Teacher attendance rate 95.9% Down from 96.1% 95.5% 95.5% Average teacher salary\* \$51,100 Down 0.8% \$50,197 \$48,414 1.7% Classes not taught by higly qualified teachers 1.4% 3.0% Up from 1.0% Professional development days/teacher 17.8 days Up from 3.1 days 10.5 days 10.0 days Principal's years at school 3.5 Up from 2.5 4.0 3.0 34.5 to 1 Up from 32.4 to 1 28.4 to 1 26.0 to 1 Student-teacher ratio in core subjects 89.9% Up from 88.5% 90.5% 90.3% Prime instructional time Dollars spent per pupil\*\* \$6,009 Down 7.1% \$7,661 \$8,238 Percent expenditures for teacher salaries\*\* 62.0% 57.9% 56.9% No change Percent of expenditures for instruction\*\* 62.8% Down from 64.0% 58.0% 59.1% Opportunities in the arts Excellent No change Excellent Excellent Yes SACS accreditation Yes No change Yes 96.6% 98.3% 98.7% Parents attending conferences Up from 93.9% Excellent Up from Good Good Good Character development program 89.4 84.1 ESEA composite index score Up from 68.1

## **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	119	1645	35
Percent satisfied with learning environment	92.4%	69.4%	85.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.8%	71.1%	80.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	80.5%	80.4%	75.0%

<sup>\*</sup> Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

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### **REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL**

The Rock Hill High School faculty and staff continued to set high expectations for all students this year in academics, the arts, athletics, character, extra-curricular activities, and community involvement. This past year we had 19 students graduate with highest honors, 27 with honors, and 92 students to receive a gold seal diploma. Eighty-two students were CATE completers, and 13 seniors attempted to earn an International Baccalaureate diploma. Out of 424graduating seniors, 145 earned LIFE or Palmetto Fellows scholarships. The grand total of all scholarships offered to graduates was \$8 91 million dollars.

In the arts, students earned 71individual recognitions. Students performed in All State choral, orchestral, and band instrumental ensembles, and competed in Visual Arts and Drama showcases. The Band of Distinction came in third place in the state 4A marching band competition and received the SC Band Directors Association's Outstanding Performance Award for the 16th consecutive year. Our chorus was named the 4A State Champions at the SC Choral Festival, and 19 members were selected for the SC All-State Chorus. Our Drama Department received 3 Superior ratings at the Palmetto Dramatic Association/SC Thespian Festival, and a student won the SC State Chapter of the International Thespian Society Acting Scholarship. The Chamber Orchestra and the Concert Orchestra participated in the SCMEA Orchestra Division's 2014 Concert Festival, earning excellent ratings. Two students were selected for the Region 1Honors Orchestra and one was named All-State. In extra-curricular activities, our ROTC won the Outstanding Unit Award and 23 cadets earned national awards. Five hundred eighteen students competed on school athletic teams, and many of our teams and individual athletes won district, region and state honors. Thirty-nine seniors were named scholar athletes, 9 individual athletes made state tournaments representing tennis, swim and track, and 15 signed to play college sports. The wrestling team won the 4A Duel Wrestling State Championship and had Individual State Champion. The volleyball and wrestling teams were named Region Champions. The baseball team reached the Upper State finals. We had 38 All-Region athletes and 8 All-State athletes representing volleyball, cross-country, wrestling and baseball.

All faculty and staff continued to focus on improving students' achievement on End of Course, HSAP, and SAT testing and will continue to work with students to provide the best education possible. EOC scores improved in Biology, Algebra and History. Teacher professional development focused on the six shifts in the Common Core State Standards. The Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports program continued this year to improve school climate and character education at RHHS. By the end of the school year students had been recognized with 2854 Bearcats Bucks for showing Bearcat PRIDE (Participation, Respect, Integrity, Dedication, & Excellence). We hope to give out even more next school year!

Patrick Grimsle SIC Chair

Arthur W.Ahl II, Principal

**Abbreviations Key** 

N/R-Not Reported

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Prior year audited financial data available.